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River Garden Hebrew Home/Wolfson Health & Aging Center
Six-Time Recipient of the Governor's Gold Seal Award for Excellence in Long-Term Care
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We Welcome New Leadership in Adult Day Care

by Dr. Sue Leger-Krall, PhD, ARNP, Director, Home and Community-Based Services



Tina Tadros, standing in the beautiful Adult Day Care kitchen, is flanked by her incredible teammates, Edilene Santos (l) and Maria Gomez-Nino

The Adult Day Care Program at River Garden has a new manager – **Ms. Tina Tadros** transitioned to us as program manager in October and she brings with her an infectious enthusiasm for making fun things happen!

Tina has been at River Garden for quite a while, and she is well known and respected by families and staff alike. Her 10 years experience in Life Enrichment Services (formerly the Activities Department) prepared her well to further develop our Adult Day Care program for the special population of clients with early to mid stage dementia. She joins our seasoned staff of aides currently in place who work so hard to make the hours spent in day care stimulating and happy.

Extended hours... River Garden's Adult Day Care program has recently lengthened its hours of operation. Open Monday thru Friday from 7am – 6pm, clients can now enjoy breakfast, lunch and even dinner within our expanded day. This is proving to be very beneficial for our clients who have working children and spouses.

Contact Tina anytime for a tour or a chat regarding our wonderful Adult Day Care program. Call: **904-288-7858**, email: adultday@rivergarden.org, or visit us online: www.rivergarden.org/adultday.

Did You Know...?

by Skip Willbach, Director of Marketing

There have been many exciting things happening at River Garden.

First, a couple of changes...

One of the changes you've probably already noticed: the newsletter you hold in your hands now has a new look! We hope you enjoy the fresh, clean design and new layout.

We have redesigned and revitalized our website. It is now easier to navigate and has better information, more photos and updated images. Be sure to visit: www.rivergarden.org to learn more.

And now, a few "fun facts" about our community.

There are 683 nursing homes in Florida and River Garden is one of only two facilities to be six (6) time recipients of the Florida "Governor's Gold Seal Award for Excellence in Long-Term Care."

The Coves opened in January 1995 with 58 apartments and in 1998 an additional 22 apartment homes were added, bringing the total to 80 apartment homes serving 100 members.

More fun facts in future issues. Enjoy the rest of the River Garden newsletter!

To provide...

A wide range of quality, cost effective elder care services in residential, outpatient, and community based settings.

To create...

A comfortable, caring, and dignified home for the frail elderly serving both rich and poor with excellence.

To serve...

People of all faiths, while maintaining an environment supportive of Jewish identity and informed by Jewish values.

To act...

As a valuable educational resource in elder care for the entire community.

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INSIDE LINE

River Garden Senior Services... because *You Need to Know...*

An important message about Admission to River Garden and about Florida Medicaid

by Martin A. Goetz, MS, MPA, Chief Executive Officer



Beginning in March 2014, all Jacksonville area Medicaid beneficiaries will transition into the "Florida Medicaid Managed Care System," and all allowable Medicaid services, including long-term care, will be managed through one of four area managed care organizations (MCOs.) For your reference, please know that we have contracted with all four Medicaid Managed Care providers, and plan to continue contracting with them for the immediate future.

Admission to any River Garden program continues to be based upon an applicant's assessed need and our capacity to serve. Applicants who have a **Jewish need**, or a pre-existing relationship with us, receive **priority access** into our care system when our programs can best meet their needs. If your doctor, health care provider or hospital says "they are the best but very tough to get into" let them know you are **part of the Jacksonville Jewish Community** and want to receive your care at River Garden.

Because of limited philanthropic funds and limited subsidized Medicaid available beds, we are not able to accept transfers from other post-acute care providers after private funds have been exhausted in payment for care elsewhere, or if care had been initiated elsewhere when River Garden care was available. The **longstanding exception** is

for individuals who **previously applied** for admission but were told no beds were available and therefore had to go elsewhere. For those individuals, **we will coordinate a transfer into River Garden** when a room appropriate to meeting their care becomes available.

River Garden is nationally recognized for comprehensive senior services

Since its beginnings in 1946, River Garden has been our Jewish community's pre-eminent provider of not-for-profit skilled nursing and rehabilitation care. Located on a beautiful 37-acre Mandarin campus, we offer high quality programs in:

- Short-Stay Post-Acute (Hospital) Care
- Memory Care
- Traditional Long-Term Care
- Respite Care
- End-of-Life Care
- Adult Day Care
- Outpatient Rehabilitation & Medicine
- Independent Living (The Covets)
- Home Health Care

To assure a River Garden response to your care needs remember to reach out to River Garden first.

Remember - you have a right to ask for River Garden Care.



AUXILIARY

Is it Tombola time again? OF COURSE it is!

by Skip Willbach, Director of Marketing

Since 1922, The River Garden Auxiliary has been providing support to River Garden in many ways, enhancing the daily life for each and every resident. One fun way the Auxiliary raises funds in support of River Garden is through the annual Tombola drawing!

The cost of each Tombola ticket is \$50. Tickets may be purchased individually, or split by two or more people. River Garden residents truly appreciate your support when you purchase your Tombola tickets!

The next Tombola drawing will be held on Sunday, March 23, 2014 when we will commemorate the 68th anniversary of River Garden Hebrew Home/Wolfson Health & Aging Center during our Anniversary Day celebration on the River Garden campus. Anniversary Day is filled with fun, so be sure to bring your family and enjoy great music, food, pony rides and so much more!

Once again, Tombola chairpersons are: **Lew & Evelyn Meisel, Edwin & Harriet Safer, May Grann, Eleanor Sapolsky, and Judy Paul.** This year, with a **top prize of \$3,000**, and 3 additional prizes of \$500 each, the Auxiliary is looking to you to help us make this Tombola drawing the biggest and best ever!



Amy Goetz and Jim Richman assist Tombola Chair Lew Meisel as he announces the Tombola winning name.

Look for our Tombola mail-in form on page 15.

LIFE ENRICHMENT

Always Together... 71 and Counting

by Skip Willbach, Director of Marketing

River Garden enjoyed a quiet, yet very meaningful, commemoration on October 24th. **Libby and Harold Barkan** celebrated their 71st wedding anniversary in typical, understated fashion – with just a few friends and a simple cake to mark the occasion. What makes this extra special is the fact that the Barkans exemplify one of the many opportunities for continuity of care, and of life itself, on the River Garden campus.

Libby and Harold lived most of their lives in the New York metro area. As a young lady, Libby worked in her father's bakery in Brooklyn, NY. She went to Brooklyn College and eventually worked in the New York school system. Harold was a mechanical engineer for many years. They have 2 sons, **Glenn**, who lives in Michigan and **Michael**, living in Ponte Vedra.

When Libby and Harold decided to leave New York, they moved to Jacksonville, into The Coves, in 2007. They enjoyed friends and many good times at The Coves, and Libby even reconnected with **Norma Tasman**, a friend from the old New York neighborhood. Libby and Norma actually worked together in a New York City high school.

As Coves members, the Barkans utilized River Garden services including our Home Health Care agency, and Harold enjoyed participating in our Adult Day Care program. After living at The Coves for almost 6 years, last December the Barkans moved, together, into River Garden, and enjoy a lovely 2-room suite.



Libby and Harold Barkan, October 24, 1942

As they celebrated 71 years together, after the cake was served, Harold commented, "I am the luckiest man in the world because I have my Libby." *Mazel Tov*, Libby and Harold! Here's to celebrating many more *naches* – together – at River Garden.



LIFE ENRICHMENT

A Morning of Arts and Education

Recently, the Temple's 5th grade class, their parents and class teacher, **Marla Dahlenburg**, arrived at River Garden for a unique visit to enhance their learning of *g'milut chasadim*, acts of loving kindness. The students went to the Frisch Family Pavilion to participate in a Thanksgiving crafts project with River Garden residents, while their parents went to the Parker Chapel for an adult workshop taught by **Rabbi Avi Feigenbaum**, Education Director of Etz Chaim, entitled "*L'Chaim - Why Visiting the Sick is Good for Your Health.*" His overview included practical tips of how to be helpful, and he provided guidelines and parameters of this *mitzvah*. The program ended with the parents joining the residents and their children to hear them sing Jewish songs accompanied by TIR's Music Teacher, **Jennie Vick**.

Ronni Ticker, Religious School Director at The Temple was most gracious in her appreciation to **Leslie Held**, River Garden Volunteer Coordinator "...for creating a rich, varied and engaging morning for our students and parents".

(top): *Thelma Schneider is given assistance in creating cards for the holidays.*

(middle): *Rita Pugachevskaya enjoys a discussion about the Ukraine.*

(bottom): *The 5th graders end their visit with a medley of Jewish songs.*

LIFE ENRICHMENT

Lawn and Leaf Bags turn "High Fashion"

by Lisa Poremba, Director of Life Enrichment

Several River Garden staff members put on their finest creative designs for some autumn time fun in mid October. The "Glam Bag" fashion show's theme was "dress inspired using lawn and leaf bags". Participants planned, designed, made and modeled their creations for all to see. The residents were impressed by staff's creativity that filled the stage and as they strutted the runway on the Cohen Auditorium floor. There have been many requests to have another "Glam Bag Fashion Show" next year...

River Garden staff-turned "fashion" designers and runway models at the First Annual Glam Bag spectacular.



Chanukah Highlights 2013 – just a few of the many Chanukah events at River Garden

By Lisa Poremba, Director of Life Enrichment

1st day of Chanukah: residents and their families enjoyed a delicious kosher Thanksgiving Feast in the Frisch Family Pavilion. This is an extra special event, where participants enjoy fine dining in a relaxed environment.

4th day of Chanukah: JCA teens arrived early on the 4th day of Chanukah to get creative with residents by making holiday cards and decorations. Our residents thoroughly enjoyed having the teens spend several hours sharing stories and being creative together.

6th day of Chanukah: Latkes were made with lots of love and oil by **Rabbi Mark Wieder** and **Tina Tadros**, Adult Day Care Manager, on the 6th day of Chanukah. The delicious aroma permeated the halls as Rabbi prepared his annual treat.

Also on the 6th day, our annual Chanukah Party was held in the Cohen Auditorium. The *klezmer* band, **The Eight Notes of Chanukah**, coordinated for this event by **JFCS**, played *klezmer* and holiday music, to the delight of all in attendance. A special thanks to River Garden **Auxiliary** for sponsoring the amazing candy-filled dreidels – party favors for all the residents. Also, delicious jelly-filled donuts were served to all...

7th day of Chanukah: The Center's **DuBow Preschool** performed Chanukah songs in custom-made props and costumes, accompanied by **Zina Levitsky** playing piano. The broad smiles on the residents' faces were priceless at this special program.

Also on the 7th day, residents received an educational lesson delivered by **Rabbi Avi Feigenbaum** from Etz Chaim. The residents were pleasantly surprised to learn something new about the "Holiday of Light."

Another event on the 7th day, **Yom Simcha**, a local Israeli folk dancing group of children ages 7-16, delighted residents with traditional Israeli music and dancing while wearing colorful costumes. Energy filled the room as the children danced and the residents clapped their hands in excitement. It was a truly magical event!



Paul Glickstein enjoys a Thanksgiving meal on the first day of Chanukah with his mother, Natalie Haas



Edyn Gottlieb, from JCA, presents Mary Foor with a hand-made Chanukah card.



Tina Tadros and Rabbi Wieder whip up batches and batches of latkes.



Rabbi Feigenbaum shares some Chanukah insight with residents.



Members of the Israeli folk dance group Yom Simcha take a break.



DuBow preschoolers perform Chanukah songs for residents.



Resident Cecile Hawkins (l) and volunteer Leslie Carmel joined in on some Chanukah Party fun.

Folk Art and Quilt Display

by Leslie Held, Volunteer Coordinator and Lisa Poremba, Director of Life Enrichment Services



Herbert Rothschild admires a hand crafted wooden bowl at the exhibition table.



Rita Pugachevskaya appreciates a completed quilt block.



Resident Adele Granat prepares to sew her block for the River Garden Resident Quilt.



Deinya Mautz shares quilting samples with resident, Harriet Osborne.



A beautiful example of exquisite craftsmanship from the Quilter's Guild.

In November, a Folk Art and Quilt Display was held in the Cohen Auditorium. Several guest speakers shared fascinating information about different crafts, including **Lesley Royce**, who demonstrated the art of spinning, and **Paul Fiscoff** and **Ira Grann** who turned his amateur status of woodworking into quite a “professional” hobby. His display of bowls, vases and wine goblets were beautifully carved from a variety of handsome woods.

The idea for this special event began modestly. We wanted to have our residents participate in a collaborative effort in creating a hanging quilt for River Garden that when completed, would be a stunning visual piece of art.

Janet Brown, a River Garden volunteer and quilter, introduced us to the perfect resource: **Kathy Minton** of the First Coast Quilters Guild. The project picked up steam quickly and she became an invaluable partner in assisting us in the selection of design and fabrics, and assisted with assembly.

Other River Garden volunteers **Deinya Mautz**, **Mary Jo Plummer** and **Stella Eison** brought sewing machines to guide residents' hands as they stitched the fabric to create quilt squares. Soon, these squares will come together to become our first wall hanging created by a joint effort.

Our guest speaker from *The All Star Quilters Guild*, **Sally Eunpu**, imparted some intriguing history, including some of the difficulties women had in the 1700's finding materials necessary to assemble their quilts. Members from the Guild brought their own creations, and related how most quilts have a personal story regarding the patterns selected.

Our event struck a personal chord with many of our residents, as they had been active in handiwork earlier in their lives. One resident, **Charlotte Setzer**, was overwhelmed with emotion during the presentation as she had been a prolific knitter. She had knitted for everyone in the family. Her son, **Dr. Barry Setzer**, keeps the afghan she made for him many years ago in his office, and still uses it during mid-day break. Many of us have those treasured pieces that were so lovingly made by family members.

We look forward to our 2nd Annual Folk Art and Quilt Display next year. If you or someone you know would like to participate, please be in touch with us.

For additional information on activities throughout the Home, please email **Lisa Poremba**, Director of Life Enrichment Services: lporemba@rivergarden.org or call 904-886-8416.

Lap Blankets for Residents - a special program

by Dara Giddings, The Coves Life Enrichment Coordinator

Coves members have maintained an active lifestyle, full of trips and happenings. In this issue, I would like to mention a specific group of Coves members. In December we celebrated our 19th Anniversary, and as **Dorothy Verstandig**, Director Emeritus of The Coves once said about our mission, “The Coves was to be a place where members live and interact with each other. It was to become a community where learning takes place, where people are active and engaged, where they have fun.” There is a group at The Coves that exemplifies these principles, and they call themselves the “Happy Hookers.”

Most of those who make up The Happy Hookers are members who live at The Coves, and a few are friends from the community. They meet on Sunday evenings to knit lap blankets for River Garden residents. This is not a Coves activity, but a group of caring individuals who have taken it upon themselves to meet and volunteer to make these blankets. Neither River Garden nor The Coves provides the yarn or needles. The group seeks donations, and have even been trying to obtain discounts or donations from a few crafting companies. Making these lap blankets is a labor of love. We want to take this opportunity to properly thank them for this service and to ask anyone with extra yarn in good quality to consider donating it to this wonderful group.



Cecile Goetz standing with (seated from left): Roz Melker, Lillian Koegler and Iris Ginzig as they display their blankets.

The Coves offers independent but serviced living, with access to many amenities and services to facilitate a lifestyle that promotes wellness. Conveniently located minutes from shopping, historic St. Augustine and beautiful downtown Jacksonville, and with a variety of activities and services, fine dining and friendly staff, The Coves provides elegant, yet affordable retirement living for active seniors. To learn more about becoming a member of The Coves, please call **Margaret Davis**, Coves Administrator, at **904-886-8935** or visit us at www.rivergarden.org/coves.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Latkes with the Turkey

by Rabbi Mark Wieder, Campus Chaplain



Thanksgivukah seems to be the term that made its way into the Jewish world this year—a conflation of Thanksgiving and Chanukah. I was a proponent of *Thanksnukah*, but one of my colleagues said that it sounded like Thanks-NICK-a, as in bringing in jolly old Santa Claus. I conceded the point, as the combining of two holidays, secular and religious, is enough.

Thanksgiving has always been a wonderful celebration at River Garden; a way for residents to celebrate with family, or with their River Garden family, as the case might be. Of course, the holiday is not completely secular, because it comes from the root desire to express gratitude to God for abundance.

Chanukah is a celebration of religious freedom, which was also on the Pilgrims' minds as they celebrated Thanksgiving, so perhaps the mash-up is material for a sermon.

I heard comments from members of the Jewish community about family difficulties imposed by the double holiday. *Minhagim* (customs) for family celebrations had to be broken and reformed. Hosting duties needed to be shared or shifted, and dinner choices negotiated. One relative of a River Garden resident told me there is no way she is willing to give up mashed potatoes for latkes. Another told me that the family meal with latkes is always brisket. Personally, I like to serve latkes with a dairy meal to allow for sour cream.

The solution, for many, was remembering that there are eight days of Chanukah. For me, it meant a fifth round of making latkes both at River Garden and the Coves. The last few years this has meant traditional-type latkes (potatoes, eggs, onions, salt and pepper), as opposed to my first encounter with a competition at the Coves, where four different cooks did their own takes on the latke. My digestive system took a while to get over those of one entrant who was a huge garlic lover.

Some people are purists with latkes, while others don't mind things like zucchini, sweet potato, parsnips, beans, etc. as well as unusual toppings. As we know from the Chanukah story, the main thing is the oil.

Hopefully everyone enjoyed the combined holiday, and, if not, we can take comfort in the fact that Chanukah and Thanksgiving will not coincide again for another 70,000 years.

2014 Holidays

Tu B'Shevat
Thursday, January 16

Purim
Sunday, March 16

Erev Pesach
Monday, April 14

An Evening to Remember

by Kathy Osterer, Director of Development

Jacksonville Metro area, Florida, November 16, 2013

The evening could not have been more perfect when nearly 600 guests came together at the Renaissance World Golf Village Resort to honor **Lilo and Harry Frisch** at the River Garden Gala, *Motown, Memories & Music*.

Chairs **Diane & Mitchell Rothstein** and **Arlene & Tony Adelson** personally greeted each guest as they entered the Motown Alley Silent Auction. The stunning black, white and red motif provided by **PRI Productions** captured the feel of days gone by in the music world. **Anita and her Motown Review** had the crowd dancing until midnight.

The highlight of the evening was at the end of the ceremony honoring Lilo and Harry Frisch; the couple, who have been married for 65 years, smiled and kissed each other, to the delight of the audience. There is no doubt that the same emotion ran throughout the entire room – everyone should be blessed to have a love so tender that lasts so long. It was a moment that everyone will always remember.

River Garden applauds the chairs and the entire committee for making the 21st Gala an unforgettable evening. Many thanks to all the River Garden staff and volunteers, and our guests and sponsors who make this evening possible. A special debt of gratitude to **SunTrust Bank**, Premier Gala Sponsor, for ensuring the fantastic success of the evening.

Mark your calendars now for the next Gala!

November 22, 2014... more than 100 reservations have already been made!

For information, please contact **Kathy Osterer, 904-886-8430** or kosterer@rivergarden.org.



Gala Chairs Dr. Tony and Arlene Adelson, and Diane and Dr. Mitchell Rothstein.



Jody and Janne Brandenburg of Hardage Giddens, the River Garden Golf Classic 2014 Title Sponsor.



Two-time past Gala Chair Judi Greenhut and her husband Joel enjoy cocktails and shopping.



Beautiful committee members Wendy Efron and Kim Silbar celebrate a job well done.



Jeanine Rogozinski (in white) welcomes Rosely and Robert Kanner (r) and Rosely's mother Toby Wiener (l).



Jacksonville's younger generation knows where to come for a great party. Bruce and Sara Werner are joined by committee member Melissa Storch and her husband Dr. Douglas Storch.



Anita and her fabulous Motown Review kept guests on their feet all night long.



Veronica Maybury, River Garden Foundation President, presents Debbie Buckland, City President of SunTrust Bank, Premier Gala sponsor, with a 'Gold Record' remembrance for their generosity.



Pure happiness. Lilo and Harry Frisch.

Thank you to all our wonderful sponsors who helped make the 2013 Gala a success!

We are exceedingly grateful to announce that more than \$200,000 net of the expenses was raised to benefit the residents of River Garden.

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In honor of Diane Rothstein

A Full Calendar of Upcoming Events

by Naomi Lazar, Auxiliary President



The River Garden Auxiliary has begun a new decade with the hope that we continue with the many exciting things that have made us so successful. Starting off the year, and just prior to our "official" opening meeting, under the capable direction of **Michele Steinfeld** and **Bobbi Miller** we had a game night - "Goblets, Gals & Games". Forty women snacked on wine & cheese, had fun and played *Mah Jong*.

A week later, we had our opening luncheon, chaired by the fantastic **Gayle Bailys** and **Andy Raitt**. One hundred twenty people attended, and enjoyed listening, tapping their feet and clapping to a super klezmer band.

We hope you will join us for our remaining luncheon meetings - our **Donor Luncheon January 28th**, our **annual Special Event** that will be held **May 8th** at the Southpoint Marriott, and of course our exciting **closing luncheon, scheduled for May 27th**. Watch your mailbox

for the Auxiliary newsletter, "*Helping Hands*" that will include details of all our upcoming events.

Each dollar raised by River Garden Auxiliary goes directly to River Garden to benefit our residents. Our fundraising efforts include Tombola, chaired by **Lew Meisel** and his wonderful wife, **Evelyn**. Be sure to buy your Tombola tickets now! The winners will be announced on Anniversary Day. We also have our Quarters Project, with **Marilyn Garber** as the chair, and our used book collection, with **Barbara Safer** in charge. If you wish to recognize someone, and acknowledge celebrations and memorials, we have two types of plaques available. Last but not least is our beautiful Gift Shop, with our wonderful **Judy Dushoff** in charge of purchasing. There are always new items to see, so please come in - I'm sure you'll be tempted to make a purchase.

We need and appreciate your support. Help us meet and exceed our goal and make a difference in the lives of our residents. For additional information, please visit us at www.rivergarden.org/auxiliary, or email **Naomi Lazar**, Auxiliary President at naomilazar2000@yahoo.com.

River Garden is a proud participant in Jacksonville's *Create a Jewish Legacy* –
Please give your children a legacy of caring, and include River Garden in your planned giving and estate planning.

SAVE THE DATE!

**River Garden's
68th Anniversary Day
And Annual Meeting of
River Garden Senior Services**



**Sunday, March 23, 2014
3:00pm – 6:00pm**

Randy Kammer, Chair of the Day

Annual Meeting at 4:30pm
Followed by Tombola ~ huge prizes!

Musical Entertainment
Face Painting, Barbeque, Bounce House,
Clowns, Pony Rides, Kiddie Train Rides



An afternoon of food and fun for the entire family!

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Benefiting The Albert Z. Fleet Geriatric Training Center at River Garden
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 Registration Opens 10:00 a.m. ♦ Shotgun Start 12:30 p.m.

Title Sponsor

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Join us at the tournament!



Tournament Chairs Mark Lodinger & Michael Price

LEVELS OF PARTICIPATION:

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- \$5,000 Lunch Sponsor (4 golfers)
- \$5,000 Participation Gift Sponsor (4 golfers)
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- \$5,000 Sign Sponsor (4 golfers)
- \$3,000 Master Sponsor (4 golfers)
- \$1,700 Birdie/Contest Sponsor (2 golfers)
- \$1,200 Corporate Sponsor (2 golfers)
- \$ 700 Beverage Cart Sponsor (1 golfer)
- \$ 500 Hole Sponsor (1 golfer)
- \$ 300 Individual Entry Fee (1 golfer)

- Sorry, I am unable to participate but would like to make a donation of \$_____**

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Register today by completing this form and returning it to River Garden
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Or – fax this form to 904.262.0417 to reserve your spot. **Please list players on back.**

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\$100 per golfer is the non-tax deductible portion of your sponsorship.

Player Information

Please check one: I am playing single, please pair me up. I will be golfing with:

Player #1: _____ Phone: _____

Current handicap: _____ Club where registered: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Shirt Size: _____

Player #2: _____ Phone: _____

Current handicap: _____ Club where registered: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Shirt Size: _____

Player #3: _____ Phone: _____

Current handicap: _____ Club where registered: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Shirt Size: _____

Player #4: _____ Phone: _____

Current handicap: _____ Club where registered: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Shirt Size: _____

I would like to join the Golf Committee! For information contact Michelle Branly 904.886.8431 or mbranly@rivergarden.org

Proceeds benefit The Albert Z. Fleet Geriatric Training Center at River Garden

The Training Center provides continuing education for existing staff and is also a Florida licensed not-for-profit post-secondary school offering classes to train nursing assistants. Our commitment to continuous learning is part of our goal to provide the finest care for the residents of our Home. We are dedicated to excellence in care and training, and our staff is the reason River Garden is an industry leader in long-term care. We are very proud to be the continuous recipient of an unprecedented six Governor's Gold Seal Awards for "Excellence in Long-Term Care."

River Garden has long been recognized as one of the finest elder care communities in the country and we are fortunate to have this wonderful resource available to us within our own community. Thanks to the philanthropic support of caring friends, River Garden is able to continue to "serve rich and poor alike with caring and excellence."

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Thanks to you, River Garden continues its Mission of Service to the Community

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January Highlights

By Lisa Poremba, Director, Life Enrichment Services

- The Jewish holiday of **Tu B'Shevat** will be observed with the planting of a tree on **January 16th**.
- In recognition of **Florida Jewish History Month**, we are raising awareness of Jewish culture and contributions made in Florida. **Dr. Edwin Safer** and **Lew Meisel** will present a history of the Jacksonville Jewish community at **10:00am on January 15th** in the Cohen Auditorium.
- A highlight of the month is **Bella Voce Cabaret**, a very talented musical group performing "Broadway Standards by Jewish Artists." They are scheduled to perform in the Cohen Auditorium on Thursday, **January 23rd at 2:30pm**.



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HOME HEALTH CARE

Home Health Care – One More Option in River Garden’s Continuum of Senior Services

by Dr. Sue Leger-Krall, PhD, ARNP, Director, Home and Community-Based Services

This past July, River Garden’s Home Health Care agency received a surprise, on-site visit from the Accreditation Commission for Health Care (ACHC). The nurse surveyor spent 3 full days reviewing all aspects of care for the patients we had served since May in their homes in the surrounding community. These patients received skilled nursing, physical therapy, occupational therapy, and home health aide services as ordered by their physicians.

By the end of August, we received our accreditation approval letter, which will be effective for 3 years. The accreditation process has been long and rigorous, and our Home Health Care organization is anxiously awaiting the opportunity to begin offering our Medicare skilled services to the entire River Garden community. The final requirement we are awaiting is our Medicare provider certification, which will allow us to begin serving new patients through the Medicare program.

In addition to the Medicare skilled services, our Home Health Care agency continues to offer nursing case management / medicine management and home health aide services for private pay to people living in their own homes. A client’s daughter recently commented



Our Medicare certification finally arrives!

“...my mother’s care at home was exceptional, handled professionally but still human... I will recommend your services to one and all”.

Do give us a call and ask us about any aspect of Home Health Care, including Medicare and private duty services we can offer for you or your loved ones. Please call **904-288-7851**, or send us an email: homehealth@rivergarden.org. Visit us online at www.rivergarden.org/homehealthcare.